



U.S. AIR FORCE

Local Watches/Warnings



Weather	Definition	Alert Signal	Action
Tornado Watch	The potential exists for tornadic activity	Alert Radios, Cable Audio Override	Tune to local news/radio
Tornado Warning	Radar indicates tornadic activity and/or a tornado has been spotted	Tornado Siren, Alert Radios, Cable Audio Override	Take cover Immediately!
Hail \geq 3/4 inch Watch	Atmospheric conditions indicate the potential for severe thunderstorms w/hail \geq 3/4 inch	Alert Radios	Tie down outside items. Stay tuned to local radio/news
Damaging Winds \geq 50kts with Thunderstorms Watch	Atmospheric conditions indicate the potential for sever thunderstorms w/ winds \geq 50kts	Alert Radios	Tie down outside items. Stay tuned to local radio/news
*Hail \geq 3/4 inch Warning	Thunderstorms w/hail \geq 3/4 inch are expected to move over or develop over Altus AFB	Alert Radios, *Cable Audio Override	Bring pets undercover and stay indoors. Stay tuned to local radio/news
*Damaging Winds \geq 50kts with Thunderstorms Warning	Thunderstorms w/ winds \geq 50kts are expected to move over or develop over Altus AFB	Alert Radios, *Cable Audio Override	Bring pets undercover and stay indoors. Stay tuned to local radio/news
Lightning Warning	Lightning has been observed within 5 miles of Altus AFB	Giant Voice	Stay indoors

*** Altus Weather Flight issues separate watches/warnings for hail and winds. Hail \geq 3/4 and winds \geq 50kts are considered severe thunderstorms. NWS issues severe thunderstorm watches/warnings. Hail \geq 1 1/2 inches and winds \geq 65 mph will be sent over the Cable Audio Override as Severe Thunderstorms.**

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